

since the Pony Express RMP was completed in 1990. The proposed plan amendment also provides for amendment of the land tenure adjustment criteria throughout the Pony Express RMP area. A Notice of Intent proposing to amend the RMP was published in the **Federal Register** on June 24, 1996.

DATES: A 30 day protest period for the planning amendment will commence with publication of this Notice. Protests must be received on or before September 22, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Protests to the proposed plan amendment should be addressed to the Director (WO-210), Bureau of Land Management, Attn: Brenda Williams, Resource Planning Team, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240, within 30 days after the date of publication of this Notice for the proposed planning amendment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mike Nelson, Realty Specialist, Bureau of Land Management, Salt Lake District, 2370 South 2300 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84119, telephone (801) 977-4355.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This plan amendment is subject to protest from any adversely affected party who participated in the planning process. Protests must be made in accordance with provisions of 43 CFR 1610.5-2, as follows: Protests must pertain to issues that were identified in the plan or through the public participation process. As a minimum, protests must contain the name, mailing address, telephone number, and interest of the person filing the protest. A statement of the issue or issues being protested must be included. A statement of the part or parts being protested and a citing of pages, paragraphs, maps, etc., of the proposed amendment, where practical, should be included. A copy of all documents addressing the issue(s) submitted by the protester during the planning process or a reference to the date when the protester discussed the issue(s) for the record. A concise statement as to why the protester believes the BLM State Director's decision is incorrect.

Dated: August 15, 1997.

G. William Lamb,
State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Chevron U.S.A. Inc.'s Proposed Destin Dome 56 Unit Development and Production Plan Offshore Florida

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent (NOI) to prepare a draft environmental impact statement (DEIS).

SUMMARY: Chevron U.S.A. Inc. proposes to conduct natural gas development and production activities in the Eastern Gulf of Mexico offshore Florida. Chevron U.S.A. Inc. filed their development and production plan (DPP) with the Minerals Management Service (MMS), Gulf of Mexico OCS Regional Office on November 19, 1996. The DPP was deemed complete on August 12, 1997. The MMS will prepare a DEIS for the plan. It is anticipated that the overall EIS process will take about 2 years.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions concerning the DEIS should be directed to Mr. Dennis Chew, Environmental Assessment Section, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, Minerals Management Service, 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394, (504) 736-2793.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. Authority. Pursuant to the regulations implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act, the MMS is announcing its intent to prepare a DEIS on Chevron U.S.A. Inc.'s proposed natural gas development and production project offshore Florida. The NOI also serves to announce the scoping process that will be followed for this DEIS. Throughout the scoping process, Federal and State agencies, local governments, and other interested parties will have the opportunity to aid the MMS in determining the scope of the DEIS, significant issues that should be addressed, and alternatives to be considered.

2. Proposed Action. Chevron U.S.A., Inc. proposes to conduct development and production activities in an 11-block unit in the Destin Dome Area of the Eastern Gulf of Mexico Planning Area, about 25 miles offshore Florida, due south of Pensacola (see attached map). The proposed action will be a natural gas development project producing from a geological formation known as the Norphlet Formation. Preliminary tests have indicated that production will

consist of significant quantities of natural gas. Chevron proposes to drill 11-20 new wells and install 2 central processing facilities in the 11-block unit. One existing exploratory well will be completed and put on production. The "expected scenario" is a total of 12 wells producing up to 300 million cubic feet of gas per day (MMcfd). The "maximum scenario" is a total of 21 wells producing up to 450 MMcfd. A 30-inch export pipeline would transport the gas from the Destin Dome Unit to the Mobile Area, Block 916, offshore Alabama. The gas would be treated at existing facilities offshore Alabama or at existing onshore gas processing plants in Mobile County, Alabama. The shorebase for the project will be Theodore, Alabama, or Pascagoula, Mississippi.

3. Alternatives. Alternatives will include the action as proposed by Chevron U.S.A. Inc. in their DPP and no action. Other possible alternatives that may be considered include variations of the proposed action and alternatives identified during the scoping process.

4. Scoping. Scoping is an open and early process for determining the scope of the DEIS and for identifying significant issues related to a proposed action. Scoping also provides an opportunity to identify alternatives to the proposed action. For the subject DEIS, public scoping meetings are planned for Pascagoula, Mississippi; Theodore, Alabama; and Pensacola, Panama City, and Tallahassee, Florida. Additional information regarding the scoping meetings will be distributed to interested parties and details of the actual dates, times, and facilities for the meetings will be advertised in local media. Public information versions of the Destin Dome Unit DPP submitted by Chevron U.S.A. Inc. are available for review at the following locations:

Minerals Management Service, Eastern Gulf Information Office, Pensacola, Florida

Jackson-George Regional Library, Pascagoula, Mississippi
Eudora Welty Library, Jackson, Mississippi

Thomas B. Norton Public Library, Gulf Shores, Alabama

University of South Alabama, Mobile, Alabama

Alabama Public Library Service, Montgomery, Alabama

Fort Walton Beach Public Library, Fort Walton Beach, Florida

Bay County Public Library, Panama City, Florida

West Florida Regional Library, Pensacola, Florida

University of West Florida, Government
Documents Department, Pensacola,
Florida

Florida State University, Documents
Department, Tallahassee, Florida

5. Comments on the NOI. In addition to input received at the scoping meetings, Federal and State agencies, local governments, and other interested parties are requested to send their written comments on the scope of the DEIS, significant issues to be addressed, and alternatives that should be considered to the contact person and address listed above. Comments should be enclosed in an envelope labeled "Comments on the NOI to Prepare a DEIS for the Destin Dome DPP" and should be submitted no later than 45 days after publication of the NOI in the **Federal Register**.

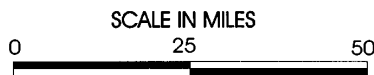
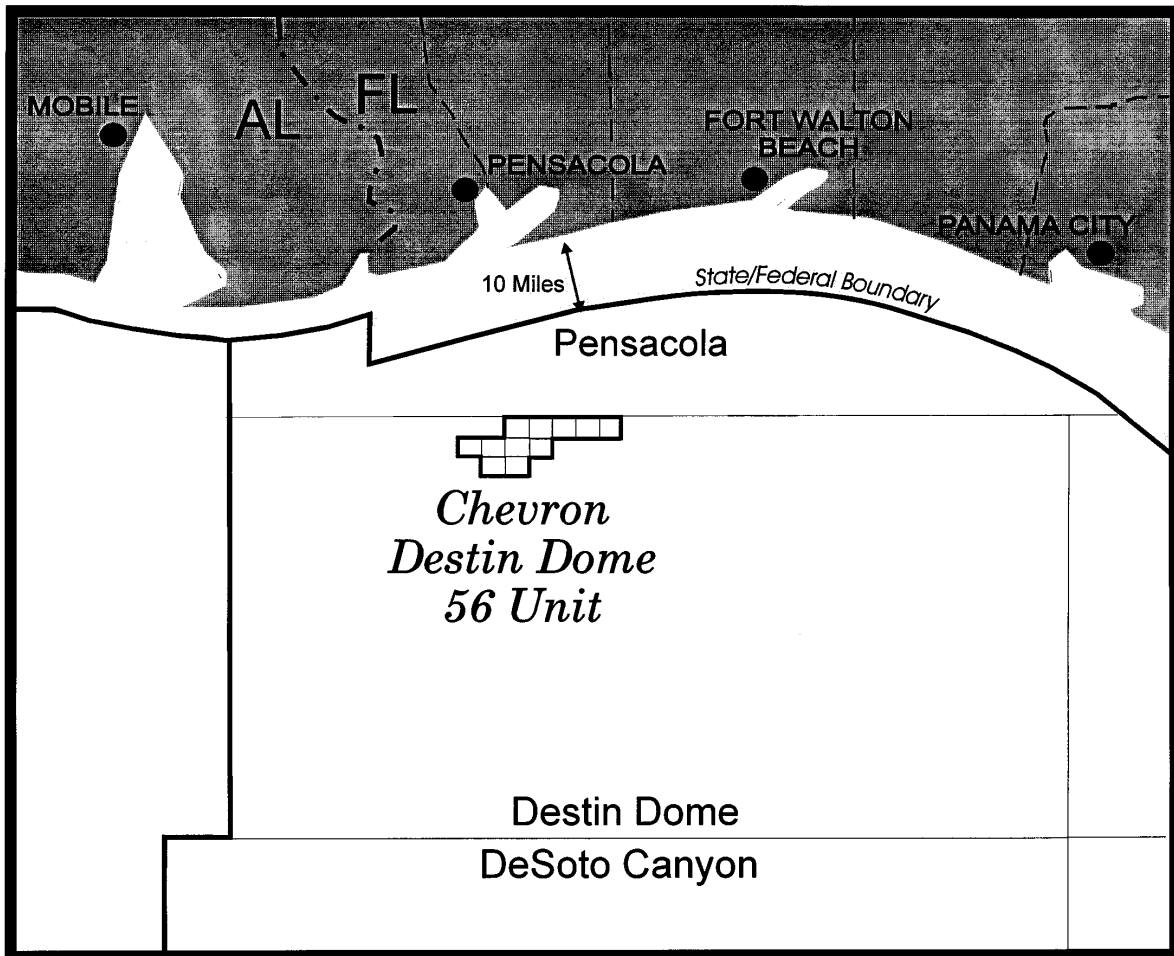
Dated: August 13, 1997.

J. Hammond Eve,

*Acting Regional Director, Gulf of Mexico OCS
Region.*

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Chevron's Proposed Natural Gas Development Plan



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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Reclamation Information Collection Activities: Request for Comments

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections as required under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). Currently Reclamation is soliciting comments about obtaining data for use in the preparation of a report to the President and the Congress on the status of agency implementation of customer service standards as directed by Executive Order 12862.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addresses section on or before October 21, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Direct comments on the collection of information to the Bureau

of Reclamation, Director, Program Analysis Office, D-5200, Attention: Mr. Gene Munson, P.O. Box 25007, Denver, Colorado 80225-0007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For additional information or a copy of the proposed collection of information, contact Mr. Munson at the address under the addresses section of this notice or by telephone at: (303) 236-1061, extension 297.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Reclamation is prepared to collect Reclamation-wide customer service information in support of Executive Order 12862, and the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (GPRA) requirements, and in pursuit of Reclamation's mission to manage, develop, and protect water and related resources in an environmentally and economically sound manner in the interest of the American people. Collection of Reclamation-wide customer service information furthers our bureau's ability to accomplish 3 essential mission objectives, which are driven by 16 strategies identified in our multi-year GPRA-based strategic plan. As part of the Business Practices and Productivity Mission Objective, the Improve Customer Service strategy ensures that the highest quality services are delivered and met through systematically obtaining feedback from our customers.

The fiscal year 1998 data collection is the first assessment and will establish a

baseline of capabilities. The baseline data will be used by Reclamation and its region and area offices to increase service to customers. The initial assessment is the beginning of a cyclical process in which similar assessments will occur in support of required GPRA cycles, identifying improvements over time. The data will enable Reclamation to gauge its business practices in the areas of Reclamation administration and management of its natural resources; contractual arrangements, overhead cost containment, and revenues management; and maintain a standard of quality for service delivery systems. Once the baseline is established, Reclamation will benchmark its business practices against the best in the business and recommendations will be issued for further reengineering of service delivery systems.

Collection of Information

Title: Reclamation-wide Customer Satisfaction Survey.

Type of Review: New.

Abstract: Reclamation is prepared to collect Reclamation-wide customer service information in support of Executive Order 12862 and the GPRA requirements, and in pursuit of Reclamation's mission. Collection of this information will further